

## ZEALANDERS WISH AMERICAN FISHES

Commissioner Here to Get  
Salmon Eggs.

### INTRODUCING ANIMALS, TOO

Island Was Destitute of Such Life at  
Beginning of Habitation  
by Whites.

L. F. Ayson, commissioner and chief inspector of fisheries of New Zealand, who is in this country to study American methods of fish culture, and obtain from this Government 2,000,000 whitefish and 500,000 Chinook salmon eggs for New Zealand waters, is in the city for a few days and staying at the Ebbitt. Mr. Ayson arrived at San Francisco from Wellington, N. Z., on December 4, and after a brief inspection of the salmon hatcheries on the Sacramento river, came on to Washington, arriving here Thursday morning.

Thursday and Friday he visited the headquarters of the Fish Commission as well as their ponds and hatcheries on the Potomac flats back of the Monument. He also visited the National Zoo, where he saw the only representatives of the New Zealand birds in that institution, the pair of purple gallinules. He will remain in the city for several days, calling on the British ambassador and the President.

#### Need Food Fishes.

Speaking of his visit to this country, Mr. Ayson said: "We have been successful in New Zealand with the fish we have thus far introduced there, but these fish were largely for sport, and the government now wishes to secure for New Zealand waters several of the best varieties of food fishes.

#### After Game, Too.

"New Zealand has also done something in the way of introducing game animals as well as fish. We have brought over, and now have large herds of English red and fallow and Indian sambar deer, and have lately introduced the American Virginia and mule deer, and the wapiti.

"We have introduced the British brown trout, the Scotch Loch Leven trout and the American rainbow trout and all three have thriven and multiplied amazingly.

"To show you how destitute New Zealand was of animal life at the start, the first trout introduced in our waters found so much to eat that they grew to an enormous size. The trout taken from this first batch of eggs of a size unheard of in the waters of Scotland or England.

### REFUSED TO LET DEATH HAVE FOURTH FIANCÉE

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Dec. 23.—After being thrice cheated by death, out of a husband, Miss Bessie Clark, aged twenty-three years, determined to make sure of the fourth fiancé, and secured a license here this afternoon to marry Newton Conrad, the Reading railway fireman who is possibly dying in the Phoenixville Hospital from injuries received in the wreck at Perkiomen Junction last Saturday.

### HOW CIRCUMSTANCES DO CONGLOMERATE

"Recently, when about to start on a long journey across the continent," said a Detroitier, "I met black cats at every corner. The day I rode away from Detroit it rained. When I got to my journey's end, I saw more black cats in a week than I had seen in thirty years previously.

### CRACKIN' JOKES IN CAMBRIDGE.

Not long ago a Detroitier in "dear old Lunnnon" visited Cambridge and a student of that venerable institution of learning and attended a joke-cracking seance of students, don't know, and came away with these gems of genuine London humor:

### CROW A HOUSETOP CHANTICLEER.

Catskill, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Three years ago a crow, barely able to fly, was caught by Mrs. Newkirk, of Catskill, and placed with a brood of chickens and has since lived with the fowls. Yesterday the crow astonished the neighborhood by perching on the house-top and crowing as lustily as any rooster in the place. This morning the crow vied with the roosters in crowing as daybreak.

## COMES FROM NEW ZEALAND TO SEEK PROPER FOOD FISHES



L. F. AYSON AND SON.

Fisheries Expert From Antipodes, Who Is in This Country Seeking  
Necessary Information.

## An Original Style of Houses for Ingleside

John F. Lynch Will Erect Eighteen Colonial  
Design Residences in Time for  
Spring Market.

The real estate firm of Terrell & Little have closed a deal for John F. Lynch, the well-known builder of this city, for eighteen lots on Eighteenth street, in Ingleside. The most prominent builders doing business in this city have been after these lots for a long time, which some say is the finest location in this section of Washington.

The plan which Mr. Lynch has selected for buildings on these lots is entirely different from anything else in the neighborhood. The houses are to be of colonial design, with very handsome porches, heavy columns, and artistic trim. They are to be ten-room houses, the first floor having a large parlor, spacious reception hall, dining-room, and kitchen, all to be finished in hard wood.

#### Up-to-Date Conveniences.

The second floor will have four bedrooms and bath, and the third floor, two bedrooms. All the bedrooms will be fitted with big closets. The houses are to be fitted throughout with all modern conveniences, and they will be handsomely decorated. The bathroom will be tiled and furnished with the best.

## "FOUR HUNDRED" NOW AWAITS STORK'S VISIT

Addition to Harriman Family Confidently Expected—Another Heir to Rockefeller Millions in Prospect.

Goulds and Vanderbilts Expectant.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Society is looking with friendly interest to prospective additions to the households of several of its best known members. In four families a visit from the stork is expected.

#### UNCLE EPH HAS CONFIDENCE IN WOMEN

I believe dar's er whole lot uv women dat 'ud marry er man on Friday the 13th day uv de month, an' some uv 'em 'ud do it ef he wuz der thirteenth 'usbun', too. 'Dey sho' would.—Dallas News.

#### TWO USELESS THINGS.

"Thar ain't no use in tryin' t' make a bottle uv perfume take th' place uv a bottle uv brush an' a bar o' soap," said Josh Wise this morning, as he looked over his Christmas shopping list. "Ner thar ain't no use uv tryin' t' make a powder puff hide a face that's gone sour."

## The Smart Clothes Shop

PETTIT & CO.

Corner 7th and Eye

Extend their best greetings to  
their friends, patrons, and the  
Washington public.

## Violent Earthquake Is Felt in Maryland

Seismic Phenomena Also Alarms the Residents in Many Towns of West Virginia and Pennsylvania

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Dec. 23.—A report received here from Hancock, this county, states that the town was shaken by an earthquake about 10 o'clock last night, and the residents were alarmed by the disturbance.

## AMERICANS ACCUSED OF DIAZ SLAUGHTER

Mexicans Claim Their Inability to Find Bandits Proves  
United States Citizens Were to Blame—Even Dead  
Bodies Held by Authorities.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 23.—All parties connected with the recent slaughter of Americans at Diaz, Mexico, are now held at Santa Rosalia, including the wife of Robert Rutherford and the bodies of the dead men.

## CHRISTMAS MEALS FOR GOTHAM'S POOR

Charitable Societies Will  
Care for 50,000 Persons.

## BIG TIM SULLIVAN'S DINNER

Salvation Army Will Distribute Food and Clothing to Vast Army.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—As is the custom, elaborate preparations have been made by the Salvation Army, the Volunteers of America, and kindred organizations to feed the poor of New York city. Last year it was said that altogether 50,000 persons were so cared for.

## ACTION AGAINST DIRECTOR MOFFAT

Chas. Popper Says Equitable  
Official Violated Promise.

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## BOOTMAKERS GO ON STRIKE WHEN PAY IS REDUCED

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 23.—The bootmakers in the Banigan Rubber Mills here went on strike today because of a reduction in pay. When the pay envelopes were opened, it was found that the pay of the bootmakers was \$1 short.

## MISS LEVY TO ATTEND MISS BUCKNER'S WEDDING

Miss Ida Levy, of South Washington, left here yesterday for Baltimore, to be present at the wedding of Miss Buckner.

## NIGHT FORCE DISSOLVED.

The large night force at the Government Printing Office that has been utilized for the purpose of guarding the Congress building has been temporarily dissolved and returned to the day divisions. The force will be reorganized for night work after the holiday recess.

## WOULD EDUCATE SOUTHERN WHITES

Articles of the incorporation of the Industrial Educational League of the South have been recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds. The purpose of the organization is to promote the education of the poor white people of the Southern States. The incorporators are Mrs. Sarah W. Halsey, Irvin H. Linton, and Rudolph B. Behrend.

## CLOSED ALL DAY MONDAY

## An Unprecedented Christmas Trade

In extending to my patrons and the public generally my best wishes for a very Merry Christmas I desire to express my gratification at the enormously increased patronage of this house as evidenced by the unprecedented Christmas trade and thousands of orders not only from city patrons but from many States of the Union, which is practical evidence of your sincere appreciation of the purity and honest quality of the Wines and Distillates that emanate from this stock.

## Christian Xander

Quality House 909 Seventh Street Phone M 274

## INDIAN GRATITUDE OPENS CELL DOOR

Seketer Never Forgot Incident of His Boyhood

## SECURED WILLIG'S PARDON

Missouri Convict Years Ago Assisted  
Redskin in Fight Against School-  
boy Tormentors.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—When James Seketer, an Indian boy, entered the Cary Lane Public School in this city twenty years ago, the boys made all manner of fun of him, calling him "Redskin," "Chief Bear Killer," and "Halfbreed."

Eight years ago Willis, in a frenzy, killed his sweetheart. Seketer helped him at his trial, but the best the attorneys could do was to get a penitentiary sentence of twenty-five years.

## ENTERPRISE EXAMINER COMES TO WASHINGTON

Has Investigated Disaster of Allegheny  
Bank—His Visit Here Said to  
Be Unofficial.

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## TIN SHEARS USED TO CUT APPENDIX

Operation Performed at Sea  
Successful.

## POTATO SACK ANESTHETIC

Chief Engineer of Satsuma Cuts Up  
Chinese Sailor, Who  
Recovers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—This is a story of a surgical operation for appendicitis in the high seas in which a pair of tin shears was used as a knife, a red-hot soldering iron served to cauterize the cut, which was sewed with a sail needle, and the only anesthetic was a potato sack, drawn over the head of Hop Ling, a stoker, who underwent the operation. If you don't believe it ask the forward watch on the steamship Satsuma, just in from Yokohama. He will show you the tin shears and the soldering iron, and maybe Hop Ling will show you the sack.

The operation was decidedly unprofessional, but was successful, and what is perhaps more unprofessional, the patient still lives. Chief Engineer Brand, of the Satsuma, was the surgical operator.

#### "Hop Ling Velly Sick."

The Satsuma was making her fourteen knots across those southern seas where Capricorn marks his boundary. Captain Chubb sat smoking in the pilot-house when the yellow face of Chop Suey, the cook, appeared at the door.

"Hop Ling velly sick," said Chop. When asked what was wanted, and after a recital of Ling's troubles, he added:

#### "Me tink um die."

Below on a garish Chinese quilt lay Hop groaning from the inner agonies of his inward disorder. Captain Chubb surveyed the symptoms of Hop's ailments with his weather eye and diagnosed the case as appendicitis, at least that is what the captain put on the log book, and what the captain says goes on the Satsuma.

#### Believed End Had Come.

Captain Chubb said an operation was necessary, and all the ship's officers consented. Hop wasn't asking. He believed his end had come and awaited it with true Oriental resignation.

"Bring a potato sack," ordered Captain Chubb, after Hop had been transferred to the mess room. The captain said that operations were always conducted with the head covered. Then Hop Ling was divorced from his appendix with tin shears, and after the wound had been cauterized by Chief Engineer Brand, the Chinaman was taken below. He has since recovered.

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Called upon by her counsel to explain to the jury how she had been injured in a crash between a train and street car, Miss Rescher, by a deft previous arrangement of her clothing, surprised the jury by a sudden disrobing act. The jury looked; the verdict followed.

Of the damages \$4,000 falls upon the Illinois Central railroad and \$2,000 on the Louisville Railway Company. More than twenty persons in all were hurt in the crash and ten damage suits have been instituted.

When in Doubt Buy of House and Herrmann

## Wishing You A Merry Christmas

WE desire to thank our many

customers for the more than

liberal patronage bestowed on us

this season, and to assure them that

if any mistakes of delivery were

made during the big rush we sincerely

regret it and will do our best

to correct them. We extend our best

wishes to all our friends and acquaintances

for a Merry Christmas and trust that the New Year will

bring them happiness and prosperity

## House & Herrmann

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